

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

July 3, 2003

IN RE:

ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION
PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF TARIFF
2ND REVISED SHEET NOS. 59 AND 60
RELATIVE TO SOFT CLOSE PROGRAM

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DOCKET NO.
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ORDER ACCEPTING WITHDRAWAL OF TARIFF
AND DISMISSING INTERVENTION

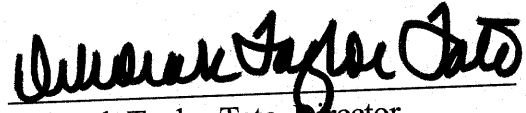
This matter came before Director Deborah Taylor Tate, Director Pat Miller and Director Ron Jones of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on June 2, 2003 for consideration of the request of Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") to withdraw its *Petition for Approval of Tariff 2nd Revised Sheet Nos. 59 and 60 Relative to Soft Close Program ("Tariff")*. On March 27, 2003, Atmos filed the *Tariff* which contains a proposal to implement a "soft close" program¹ with a proposed effective date of May 27, 2003. On April 23, 2003 the Company amended the *Tariff* to become effective on July 1, 2003 to allow additional time to respond to the Authority's April 15, 2003 data request. On April 29, 2003, Atmos filed its *Notice of Withdrawal of Petition*.


¹ The *Tariff* would allow Atmos to leave the gas flowing to a customer's premises for a predetermined time or usage limit after the customer requests termination of services. The present tariff requires Atmos to turn off the gas once the customer notifies Atmos to discontinue service.

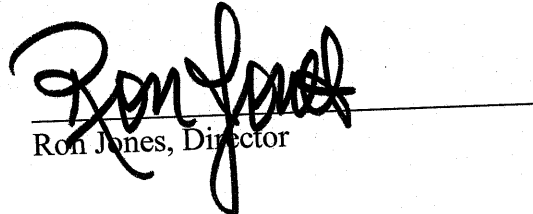
During the Conference held on June 2, 2003, upon consideration of the entire record in this matter, the panel voted unanimously to approve the request to withdraw the *Tariff* in its entirety.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The request of Atmos Energy Corporation to withdraw the *Petition for Approval of Tariff 2nd Revised Sheet Nos. 59 and 60 Relative to Soft Close Program* in its entirety is approved.


Deborah Taylor Tate, Director


Pat Miller, Director


Ron Jones, Director